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San Diego Public Library to Present the Film "Santitos" on Sept. 13 Event is Part of the Library's Five-Month "Stories of Faith" Program

**SAN DIEGO** – The City of San Diego Public Library will host a screening of the film "Santitos" on Monday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the third floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E St. in downtown San Diego. This event is FREE to the public.

"Santitos" is a character-driven, enchanting, and humorous tale about a young Mexican woman who has to come to terms with the loss of her teenage daughter. Esperanza's daughter Blanca suddenly and mysteriously dies in the hospital where she was having her tonsils removed. Shortly afterward, the vision of St. Jude appears on the greasy glass door of her oven, telling Esperanza that Blanca is not dead. Despite warnings from her best friend and the local priest, she embarks on an incredible journey that puts her faith to the test while awakening her to a new world of sensuality and independence. The film is in Spanish with English subtitles.

After the presentation, Dr. Alberto Pulido, a professor of ethnic studies at the University of San Diego, will facilitate a discussion.

This event is part of "Stories of Faith: Religion and Diversity in San Diego," the Library's five-month series of programs consisting of dance, music, live theater, films, exhibits, lectures and panel discussions with the goal of enabling participants to learn more about each other's beliefs and values. The project is made possible by a Community Speaks grant from the California Council of the Humanities. For more information, visit the Library on the City's Web site at <a href="http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/">http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/</a> or call the Library at 619-236-5800.

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